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**VIA ELECTRONIC FILING**

Jocelyn Boyd, Chief Clerk of the Commission  
Public Service Commission of South Carolina  
Post Office Drawer 11649  
Columbia, South Carolina 29211

**Re: Application Regarding the Acquisition of Progress Energy, Incorporated by  
Duke Energy Corporation and Merger of Progress Energy Carolinas,  
Incorporated and Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC  
PSC Docket No. 2011-158-E**

Dear Jocelyn:

The purpose of this letter is to inform the Commission that Duke Energy is postponing the allowable ex parte briefing scheduled for December 12, 2012, until our newly appointed Executive Vice President for Regulated Utilities, Lloyd Yates, assumes his new role and is available to appear in front of this Commission. The Company will be back in touch with the Clerk's Office in the very near future to request alternative dates.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Timika Shafeek-Horton  
Deputy General Counsel

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